

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

DAVID HERBERT,

Petitioner,

v.

CASE NO. 2:07-12580
HONORABLE VICTORIA A. ROBERTS

BILL DAVIS,

Respondent.

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**ORDER TRANSFERRING CASE TO THE UNITED STATES
COURT OF APPEALS PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 2244(B)(3)(A)**

Petitioner David Herbert has filed a *pro se* application for the writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. The habeas petition challenges Petitioner's 1991 state conviction for criminal sexual conduct in the second degree. Petitioner challenged the same conviction in a previous habeas petition, which United States District Judge Paul V. Gadola dismissed for failure to comply with the one-year statute of limitations. *See Herbert v. Jones*, No. 04-40145 (E.D. Mich. Jan. 4, 2005).

A person seeking to file a second or successive habeas petition must first ask the appropriate court of appeals for an order authorizing the district court to consider the petition. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b)(3)(A); *Stewart v. Martinez-Villareal*, 523 U.S. 637, 641 (1998). When a petitioner files a second or successive petition for habeas corpus relief in the district court without § 2244(b)(3) authorization from the court of appeals, the district court must transfer the document to the court of appeals pursuant to 28 U.S.C.

§ 1631. *Sims v. Terbush*, 111 F.3d 45, 47 (6th Cir. 1997).¹

Petitioner has not demonstrated that he received permission from the Court of Appeals to file another habeas petition challenging the same conviction. His failure to comply with the gatekeeping requirements of 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b) deprives this Court of jurisdiction to hear his claims. *Burton v. Stewart*, __ U.S. __, __, 127 S. Ct. 792, 794 (2007) (*per curiam*). Accordingly, the Clerk of Court is directed to transfer this case to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit pursuant to *Sims* and 28 U.S.C. § 1631.

S/Victoria A. Roberts

Victoria A. Roberts
United States District Judge

Dated: July 31, 2007

The undersigned certifies that a copy of this document was served on the attorneys of record and pro se petitioner by electronic means or U.S. Mail on July 31, 2007.

s/Carol A. Pinegar
Deputy Clerk

¹Section 1631 provides in pertinent part:

Whenever a civil action is filed in a court . . . and that court finds that there is a want of jurisdiction, the court shall, if it is in the interest of justice, transfer such action . . . to any other such court in which the action . . . could have been brought at the time it was filed . . . , and the action . . . shall proceed as if it had been filed in . . . the court to which it is transferred on the date upon which it was actually filed in . . . the court from which it was transferred.